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In re Application of Vorlop et al. )  
Application No. 09/720,190 ) Group Art Unit: 1713  
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For: *Process for Producing a Polyvinyl* )  
*Alcohol Gel and a Mechanically Highly* )  
*Stable Gel Produced Thereby* )  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action, Paper No. 6, dated 24 June 2002, applicant submits the following response and amendment:

**In the Claims**

Please amend claims 1, 4, 5 and 20 and add new claims 25-30 as follows:

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